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A WORLD BEYOND WHAT YOU KNOW
FROM THE **SEGA** GAMES! THE
BABYLON ROGUES AND THE RUTHLESS
BATTLE BIRD ARMADA HAVE WROUGHT
DESTRUCTION UPON NEW MOBOTROPOLIS
IN THEIR QUEST FOR THE BABYLON
GARDEN BURIED DEEP BENEATH THE
CITY. WILL THEY ACHIEVE THEIR
SINISTER GOALS, AND WILL THEY
WEATHER THE WRATH OF A CERTAIN
BLUE HEDGEHOG WHOSE HOME-
TOWN THEY'RE BLOWING TO
SMITHEREENS?

BABYLON!

RISING

PART 4: RESURRECTION

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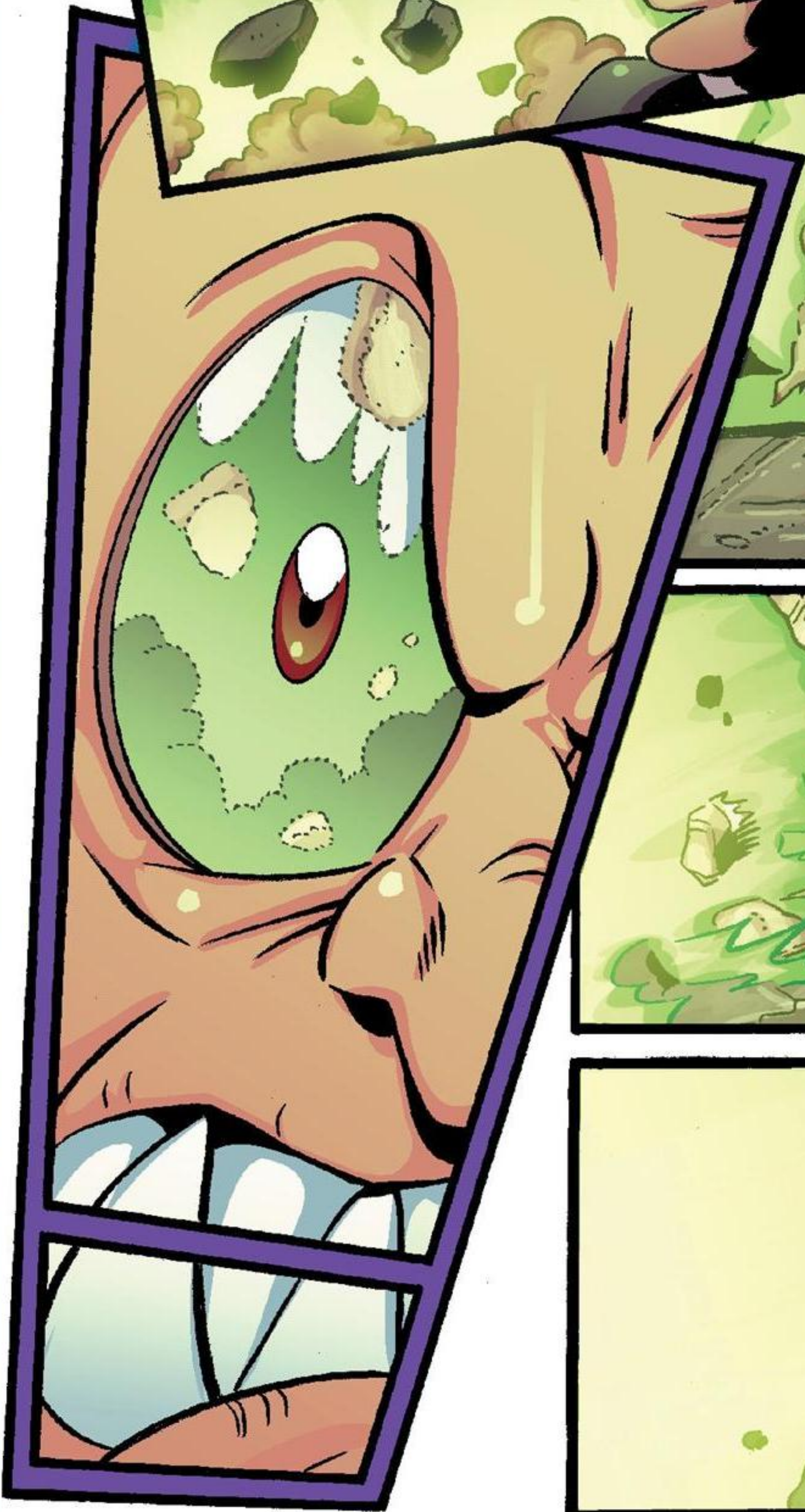
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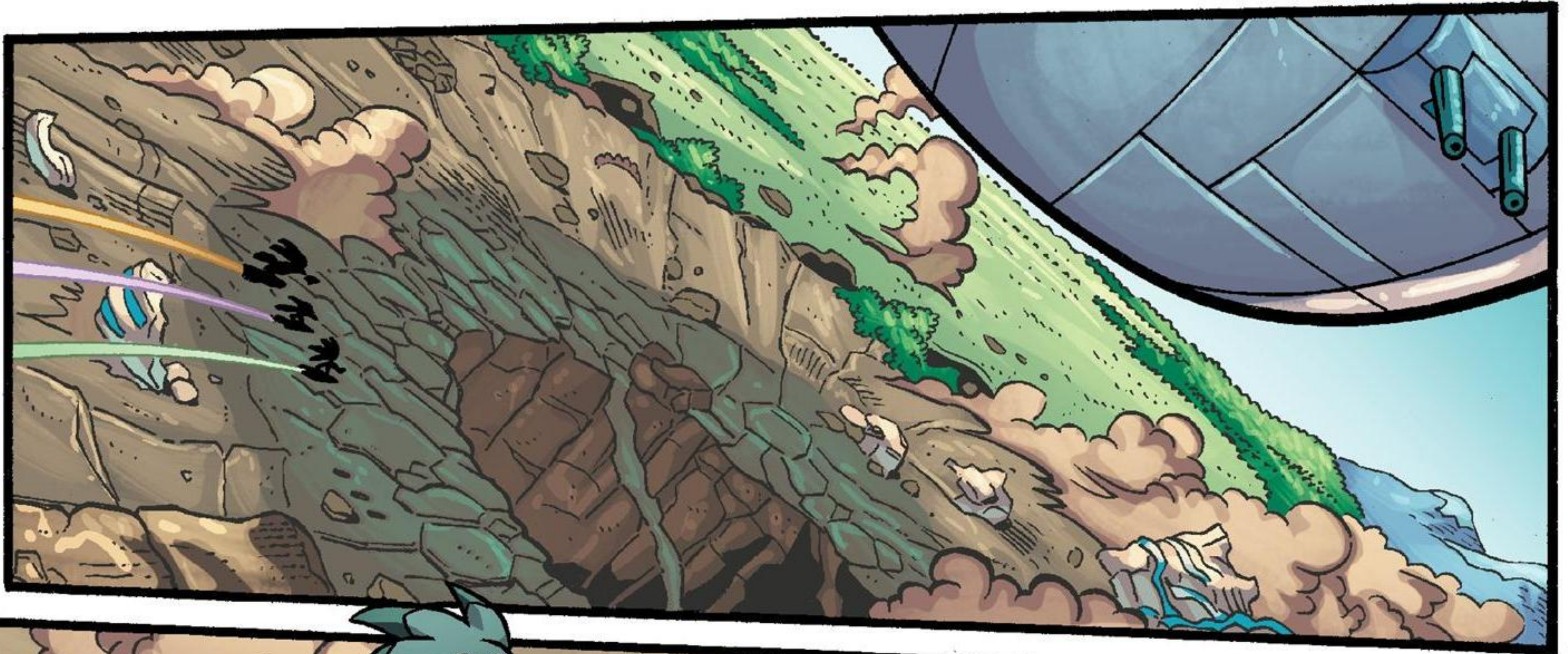
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NAUGUS
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**BATTLE
LORD
CHIEF
OF THE
ARMADA**

**SPEEDY
SON OF
THE CHIEF**

**LOO LOO
HOO HOO HOO!!
A RESOUNDING
VICTORY!!**



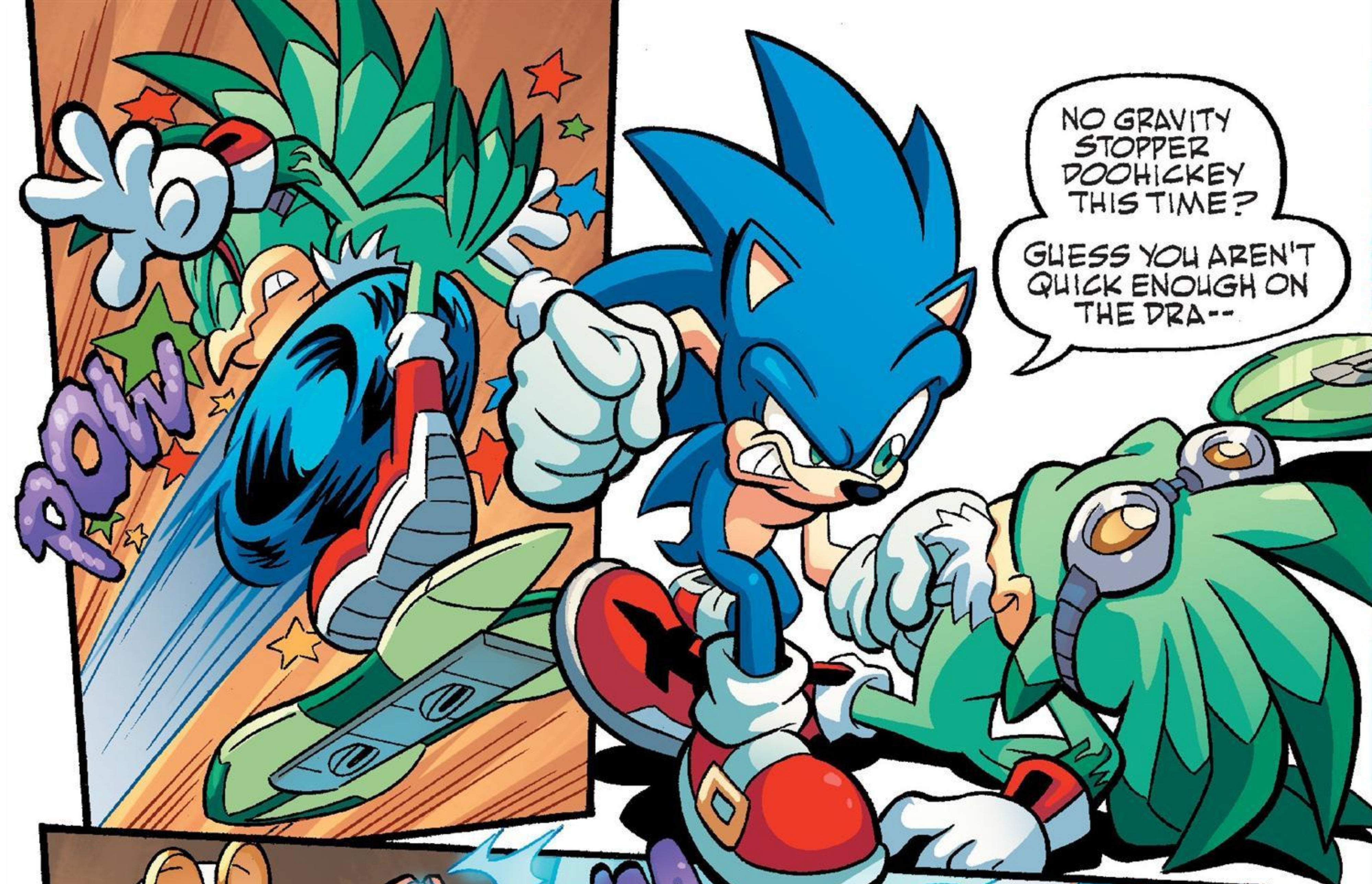
WE HAVE AVENGED
OURSELVES AND UN-
COVERED THE BABYLON
GARDEN!
THE ROGUES NEED
ONLY TO USE THE KEY
TO BRING OUR DESTINY
TO FRUITION!



NOTHING
CAN STOP
US NOW!







NO GRAVITY
STOPPER
DOOHICKEY
THIS TIME?
GUESS YOU AREN'T
QUICK ENOUGH ON
THE DRA--



NEITHER
ARE YOU, TRUE
BLUE.



LET'S MOVE
BEFORE THE GRAVITY
FIELD WEARS OFF
AND PINHEAD HERE
PUTS HIS SPINES
WHERE THEY'RE
NOT WANTED!

"GEE, THANKS
FOR THE HELP
THERE, WAVE!"

"NO PROBLEM,
JET! JUST
DOING MY
PART FOR
THE TEAM!"



YEAH, YEAH.
YOU'RE A REAL
LIFE SAVER.

YOU KNOW, IT'S
TOO BAD. ONCE
WE USE THIS KEY,
I WON'T GET TO
USE THAT TRICK
ANYMORE.

YEARS OF
SEARCHING HAVE
PAID OFF! WE'RE
ACTUALLY IN THE
BABYLON
GARDEN!

DEFINITELY
NO FLOWERS.
LOTS OF METAL,
THOUGH.

OOOH! IS THAT
A GAMEBIRD
ADVANCE?
CAN I PLAY?

NO, IT'S MY
OMNI LINK
SCANNER. PATENT
PENDING.

THESE READINGS
INDICATE THAT
THE GARDEN IS
A VESSEL OF
SOME KIND!

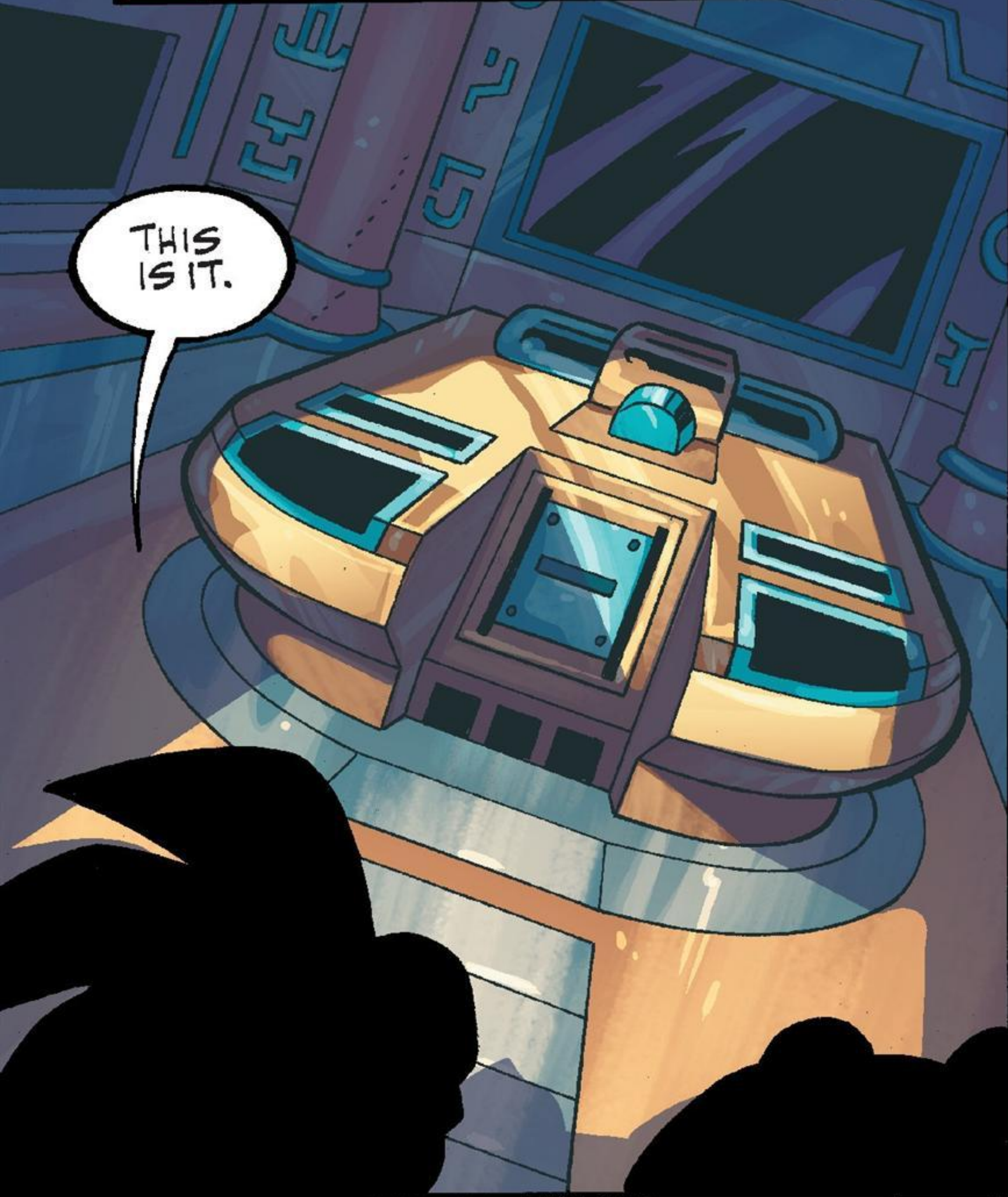
A VESSEL? LIKE THAT
THING ON JET'S HEAD
WHEN I TALK
TOO MUCH?

SHE MEANS
A *SHIP*,
BIRDBRAIN.

DIRECTLY
AHEAD LOOKS
LIKE THE MAIN
CONTROL
CENTER.



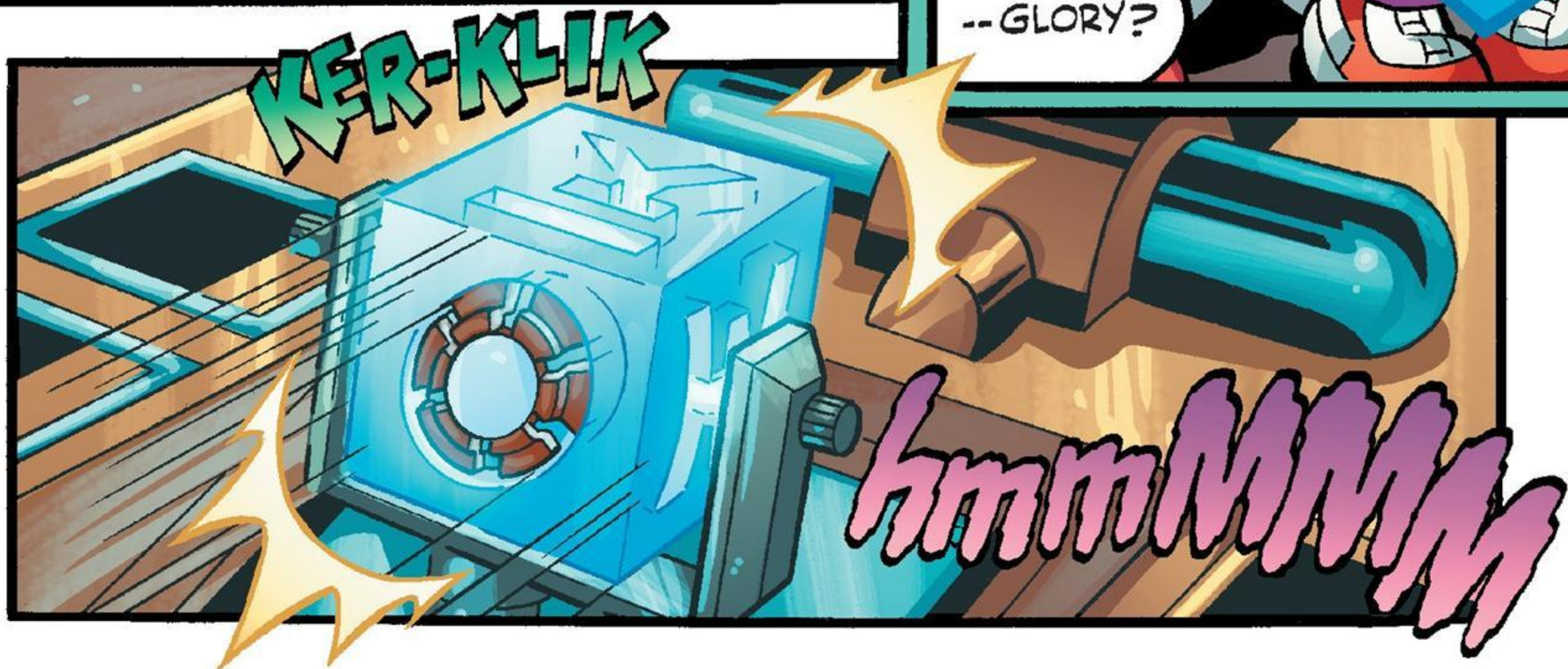
THIS IS IT.



WE SIMPLY PUT THE
PIECES OF THE
KEY TOGETHER,
AND THE NEXT
STEP IS
ETERNAL--



--GLORY?



THANK
YOU.

PREVIOUS NAVIGATIONAL ROUTINE MAY NOW RESUME.



WHAT WAS YOUR
PREVIOUS
NAVI--

SO THIS PILE
OF JUNK IS
WHAT YOU HAD
TO BLOW UP
NEW MOBO-
TROPOLIS
FOR?

HEY,
BLOWING
UP YOUR
TOWN WAS
JUST ICING
ON THE
CAKE!

THIS "PILE OF
JUNK" IS PROOF
THAT I
ACCOMPLISHED
SOMETHING
NO ONE ELSE
COULD.

**YOU
ACCOMPLISHED
?!!**



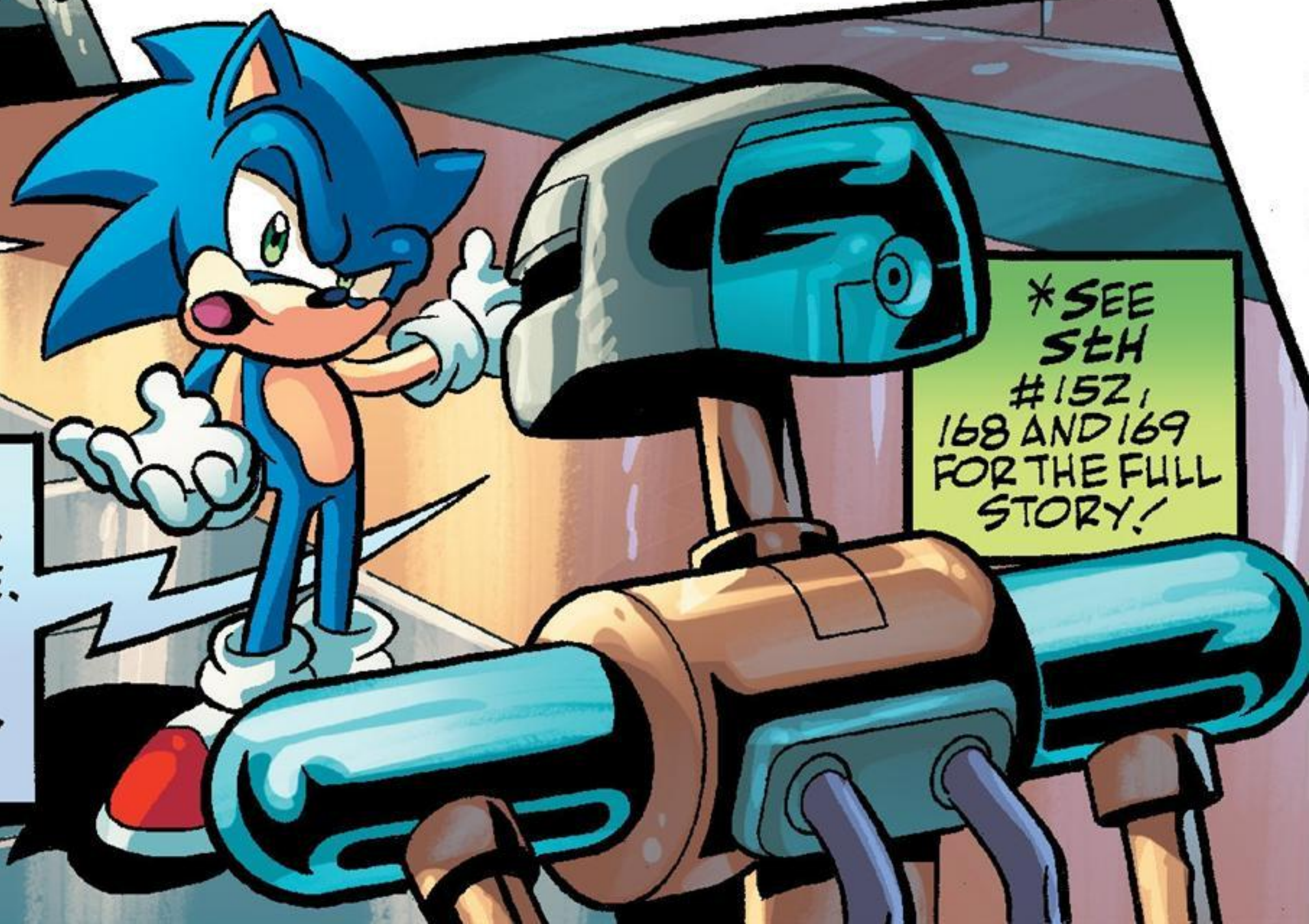
THE PROGRAM NICOLE DID NOT BUILD THE NANITE CITY. SHE HAD NEVER PROBED TO THIS DEPTH AND THUS NEVER DETECTED MY PRESENCE.

THE CITY WAS CONSTRUCTED BY THE PROGRAM A.D.A.M. HE DETECTED MY SYSTEMS AND INTENDED TO TAP INTO THEM TO EXPEDITE THE TRANSPORT OF MYSTIC GEMS ACROSS THE VAST REACHES OF SPACE.

WHAT? THOSE CHAOS EMERALDS WERE SPREAD ACROSS THE GALAXY. HOW COULD YOU HAVE HELPED?

I AM EQUIPPED WITH A WORM-HOLE GENERATOR THAT CREATES SHORTCUTS ACROSS SPACE-TIME. HOWEVER, MY SYSTEMS COULD NOT BE ACCESSED WITHOUT THE IGNITION MATRIX, SO A.D.A.M. SOUGHT OTHER METHODS.*

*SEE STH #152, 168 AND 169 FOR THE FULL STORY!





SO THIS IS A
SPACESHIP?

AFFIRMATIVE.

MORE
ALIEN
LOSERS.
JUST WHAT
THIS
PLANET
NEEDS!

SO WHO REMOVED
YOUR KEY, YOUR
"IGNITION
MATRIX," AND
WHY?

IT WAS REMOVED BY THE BABYLONIANS
DUE TO AN IRREPARABLE MALFUNCTION
IN THE WORMHOLE GENERATOR THAT
WOULD CAUSE THE CREATION OF A
BLACK HOLE IF USED. DESTRUCTION OF
THE PLANET WOULD RESULT. THEY RE-
FUSED THAT RESPONSIBILITY, AND
SETTLED ON THIS WORLD.

THE SHIP AND THE
MATRIX WERE HIDDEN
TO PREVENT THIS
OCCURRENCE IN
THE FUTURE.

ASTOUNDING!
IF THESE
BABYLONIANS
SETTLED ON
MOBIUS, THEN
THAT
MEANS...

YOU GUYS ARE
THE ALIEN
LOSERS!



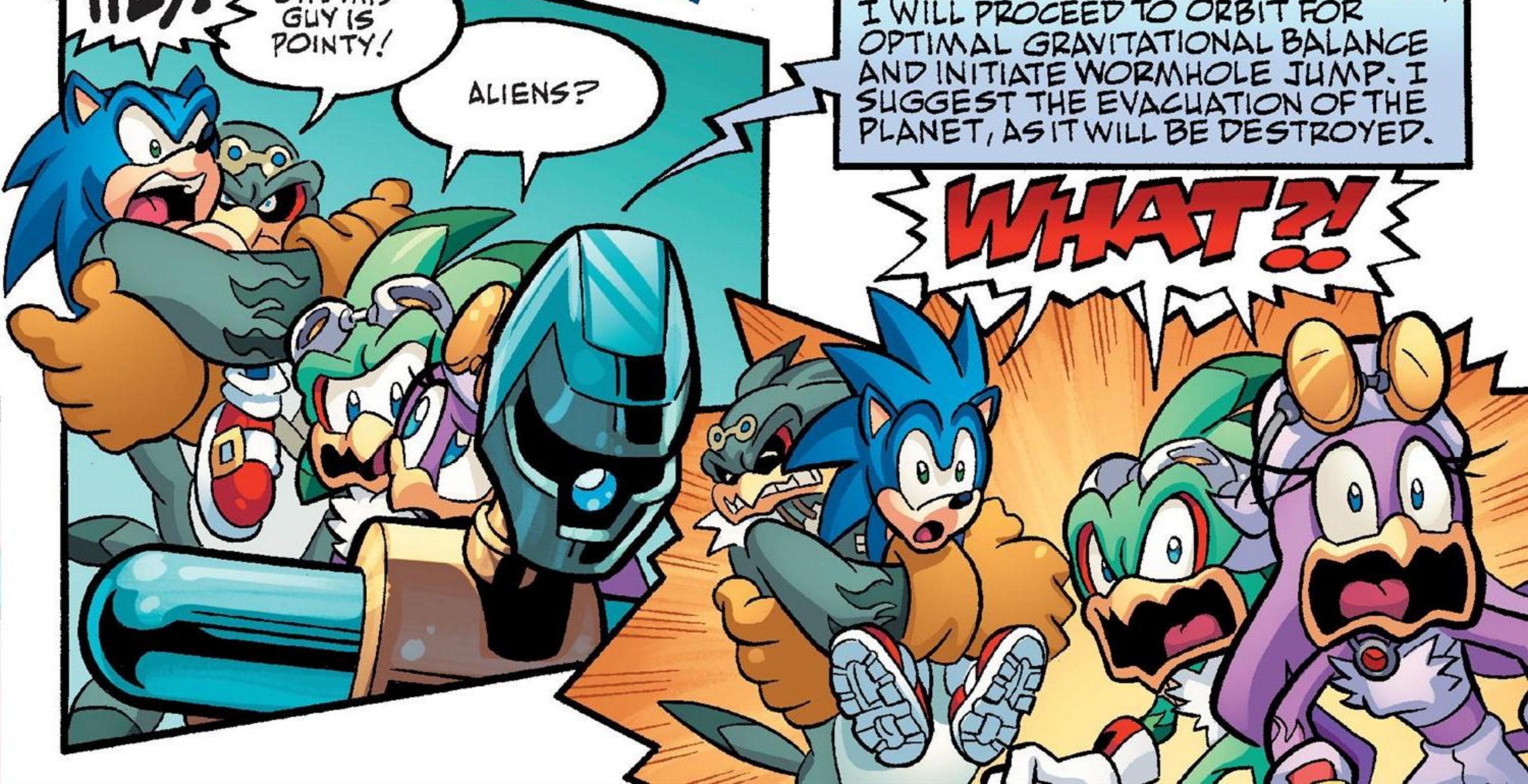
HEY!

OW! THIS
GUY IS
POINTY!

ALIENS?

WITH THE IGNITION MATRIX RESTORED,
I WILL PROCEED TO ORBIT FOR
OPTIMAL GRAVITATIONAL BALANCE
AND INITIATE WORMHOLE JUMP. I
SUGGEST THE EVACUATION OF THE
PLANET, AS IT WILL BE DESTROYED.

WHAT?!



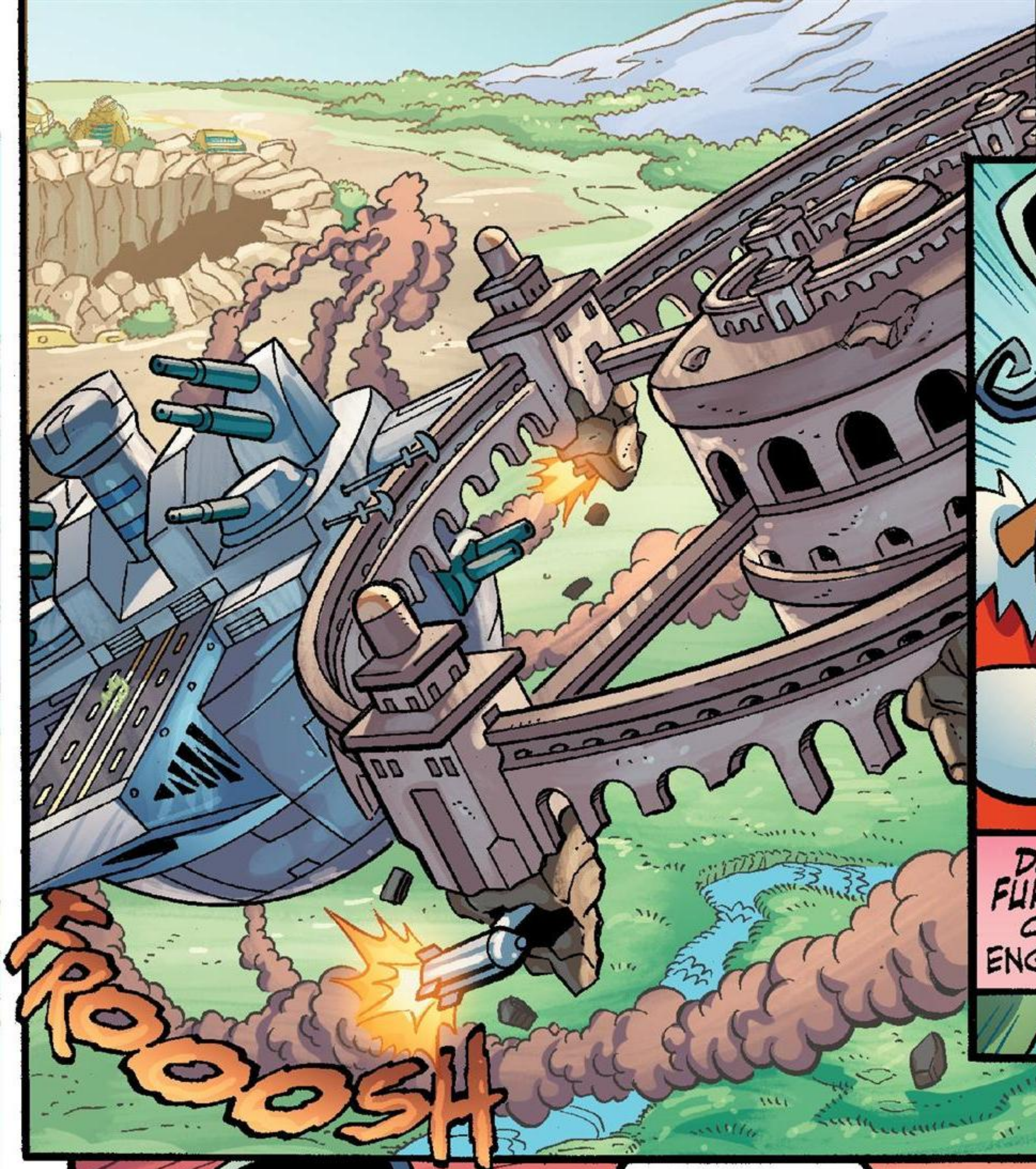


QUICKLY!
GRAPPLE IT
WITH THE
ANCHORS!

WHERE IT
GOES, WE
GO!!

AYE, AYE,
SIR!





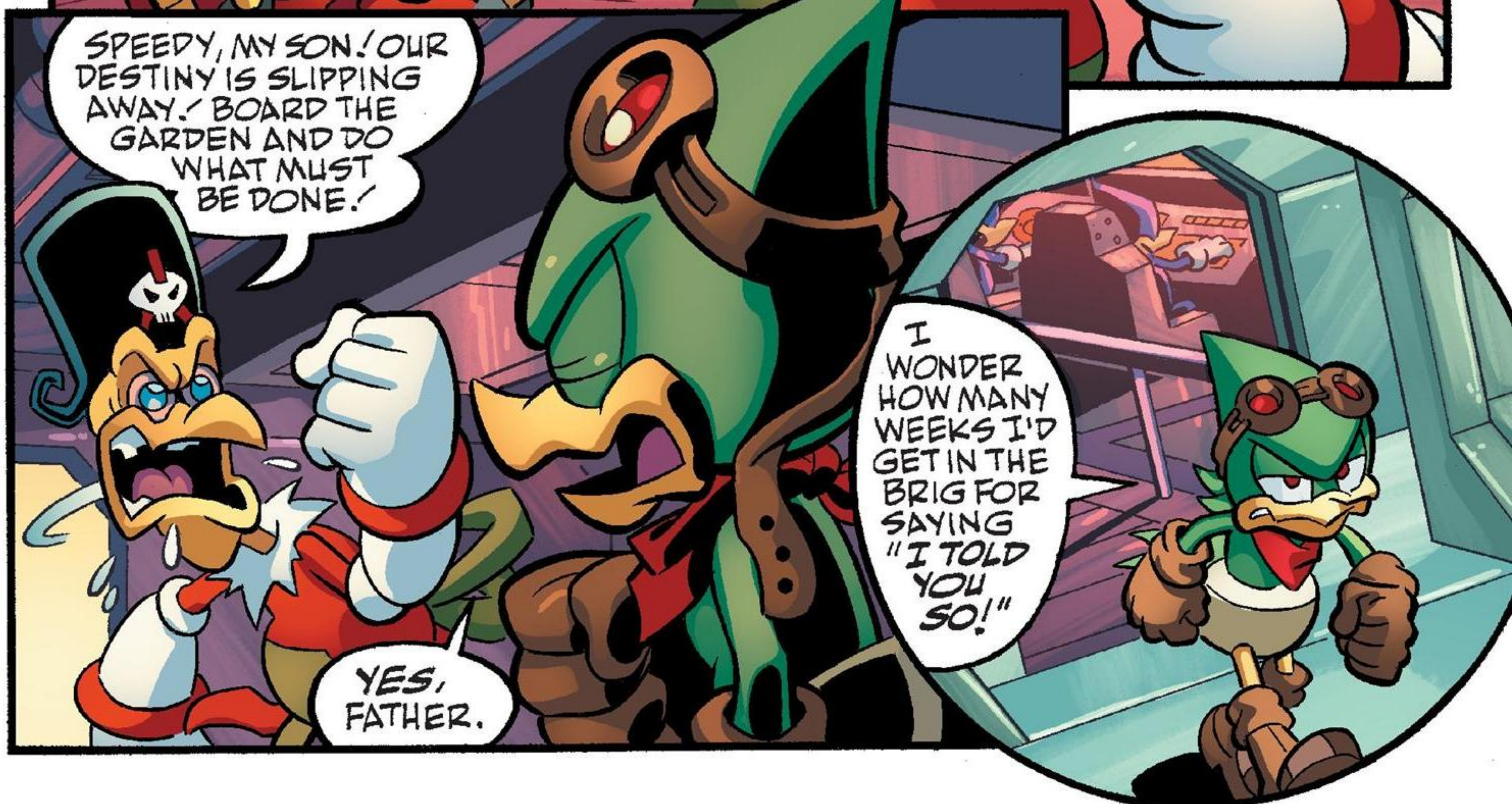
DOCTOR! CAN YOU CONTACT THE ROGUES?

NO RESPONSE TO COMMUNICATIONS!

DOCTOR FUKUROKOV
CHIEF ENGINEER



JET! HE'S TAKING THE GARDEN FOR HIMSELF!



SPEEDY, MY SON! OUR DESTINY IS SLIPPING AWAY! BOARD THE GARDEN AND DO WHAT MUST BE DONE!

YES, FATHER.

I WONDER HOW MANY WEEKS I'D GET IN THE BRIG FOR SAYING "I TOLD YOU SO!"

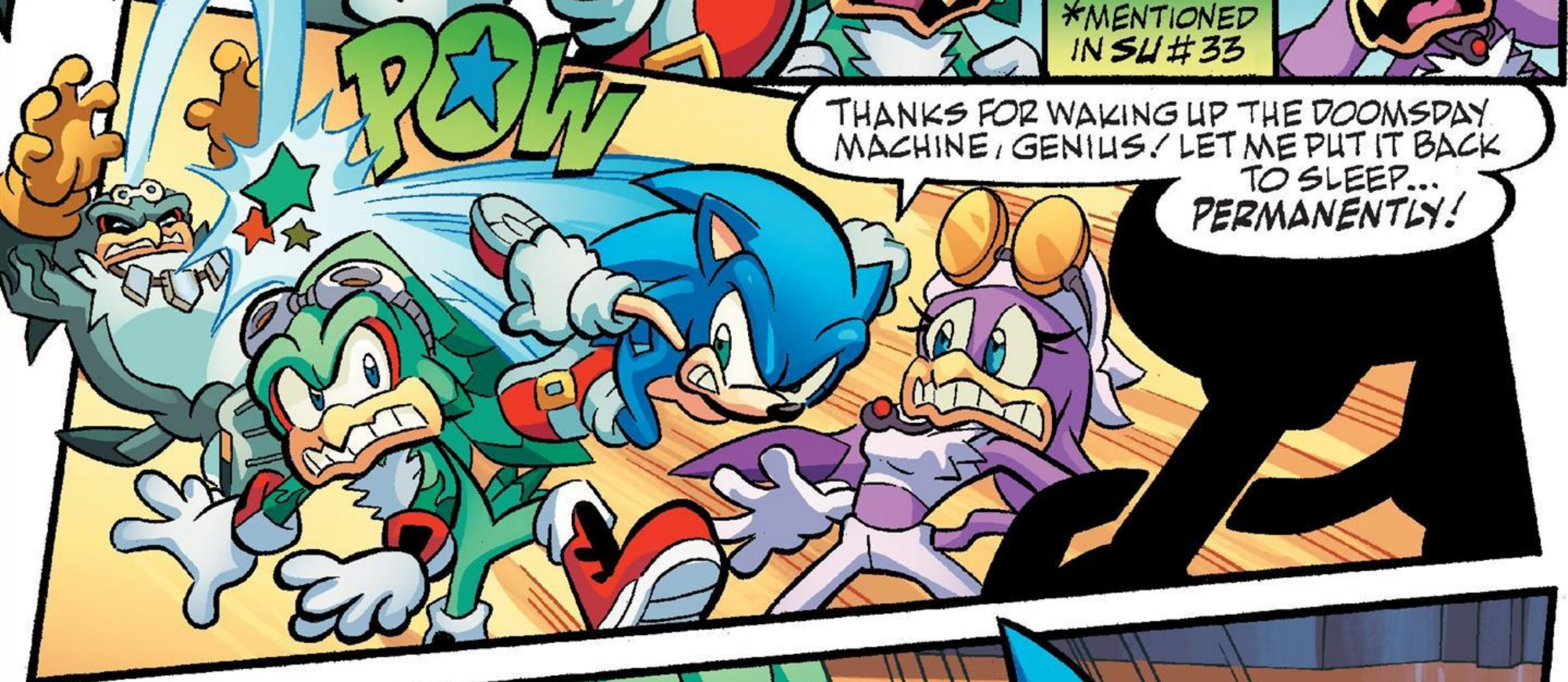


UM, CAN SOMEONE EXPLAIN WHAT'S GOING ON?

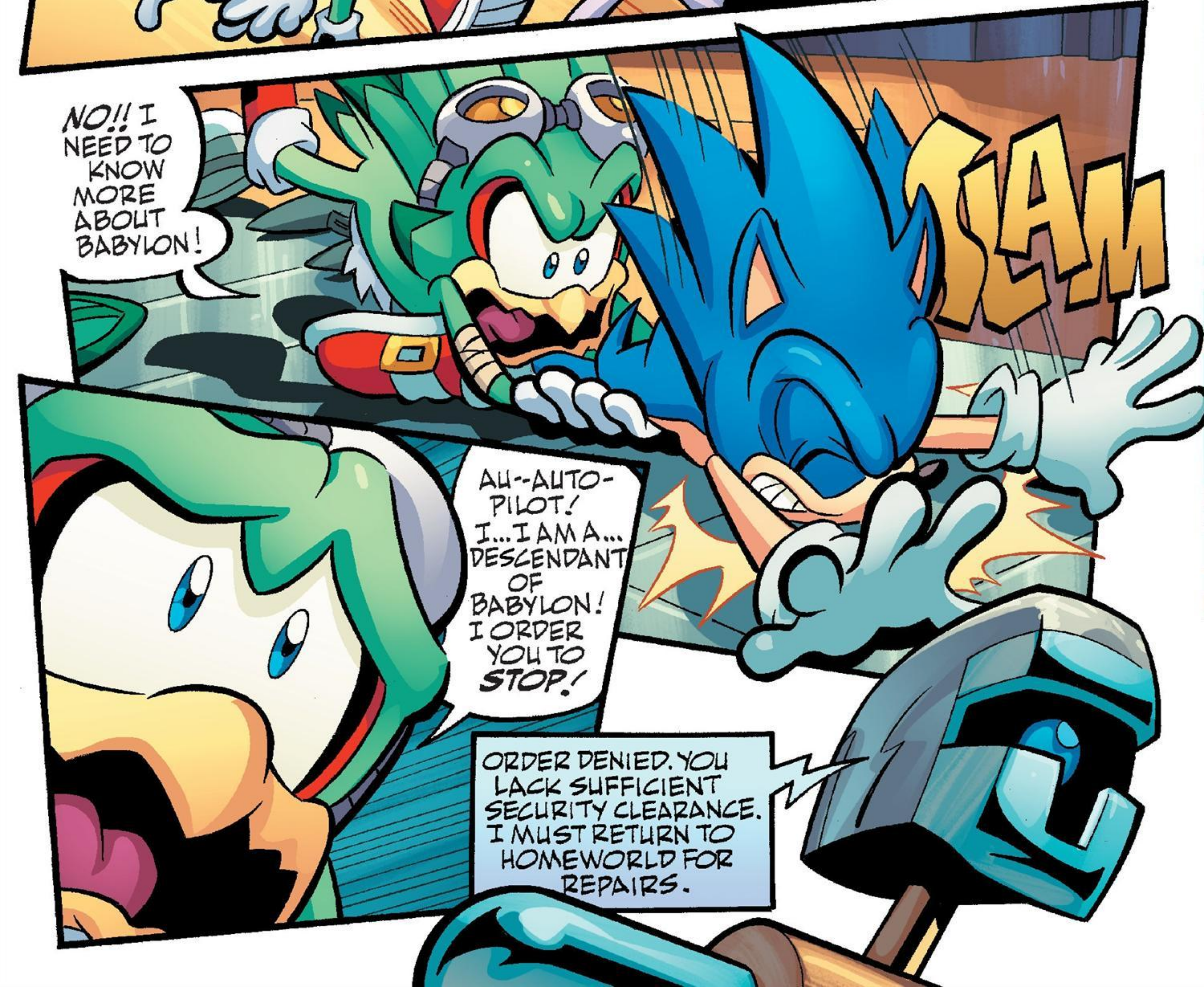
THE SHIP'S AUTOPILOT IS GOING TO OPEN A BLACK HOLE THAT WILL SWALLOW MOBIUS!

THE LIGHTLESS BLACK...*

*MENTIONED IN SU #33



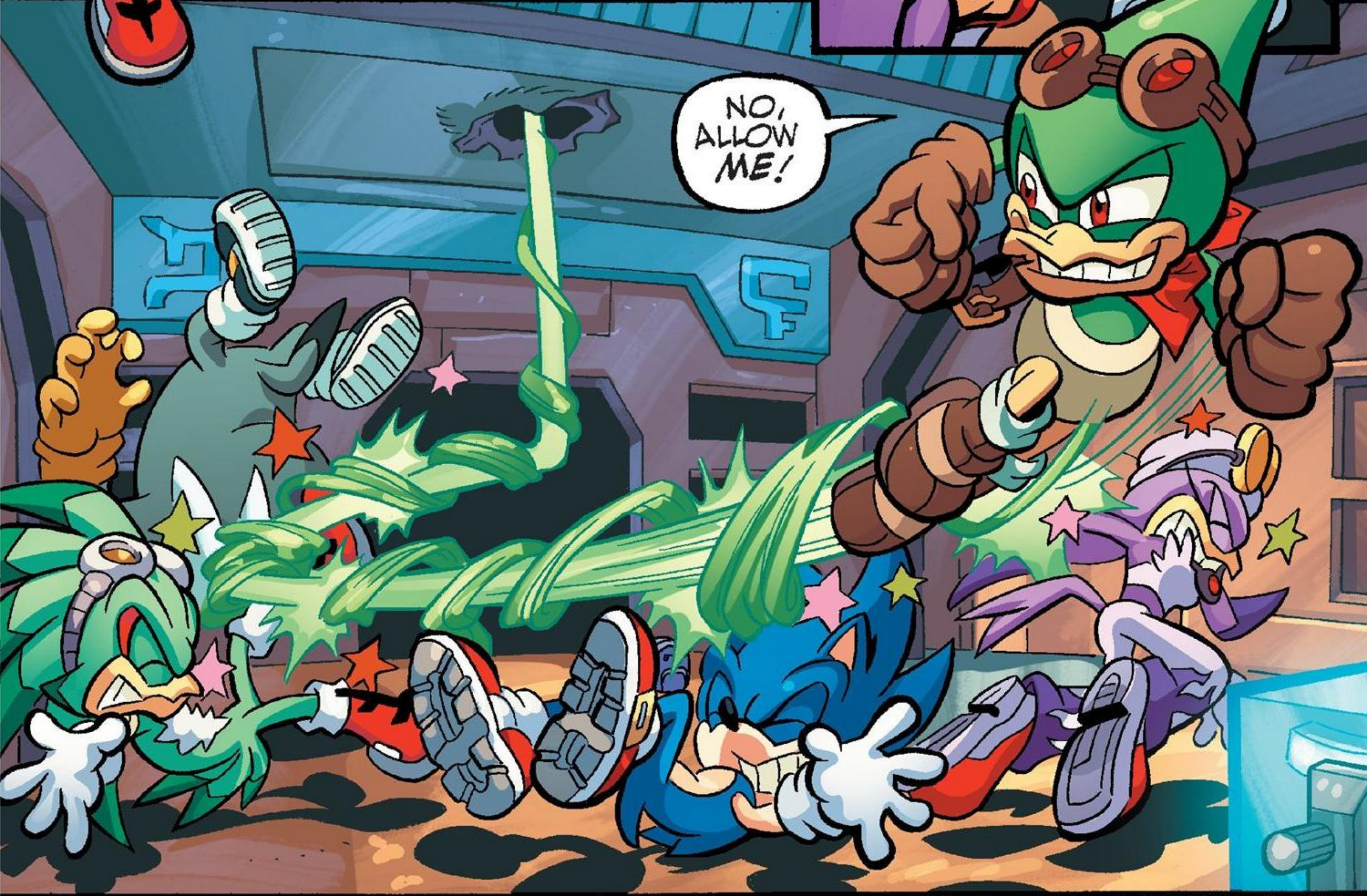
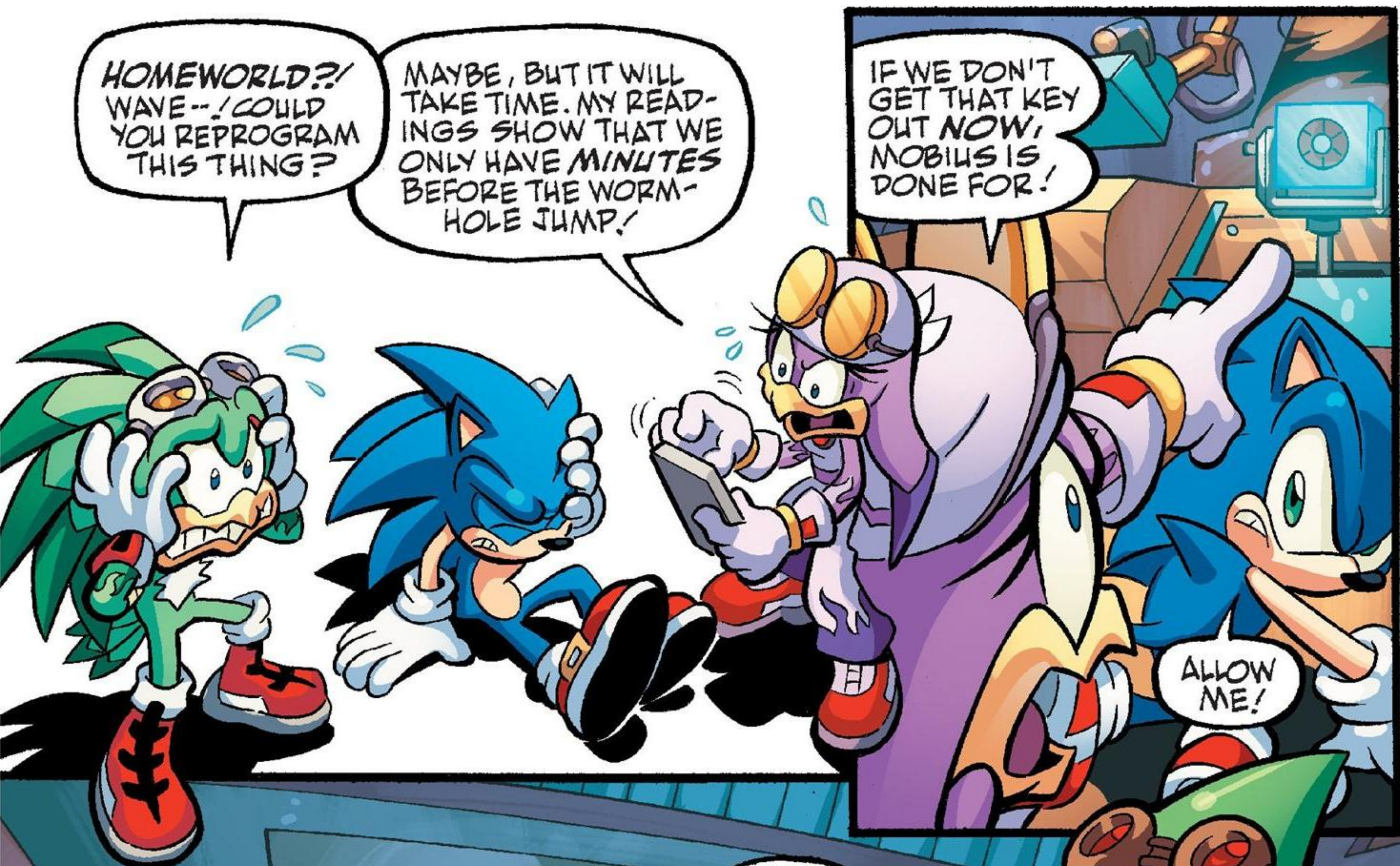
THANKS FOR WAKING UP THE DOOMSDAY MACHINE, GENIUS! LET ME PUT IT BACK TO SLEEP... PERMANENTLY!



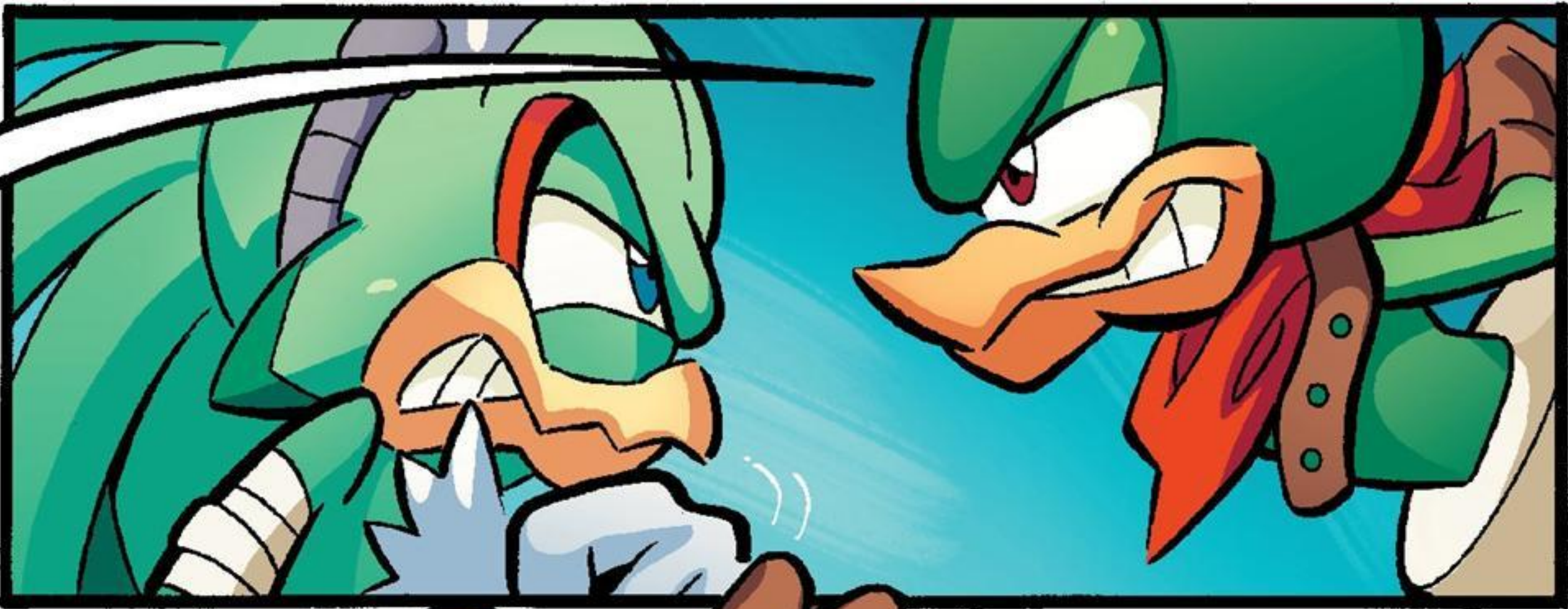
NO!! I NEED TO KNOW MORE ABOUT BABYLON!

ALL--AUTO-PILOT! I... I AM A... DESCENDANT OF BABYLON! I ORDER YOU TO STOP!

ORDER DENIED. YOU LACK SUFFICIENT SECURITY CLEARANCE. I MUST RETURN TO HOMEWORLD FOR REPAIRS.



MAYBE I SHOULD
LEAVE THE KEY WHERE
IT IS, AND LET YOU BE
RESPONSIBLE FOR
THE DOOM OF AN
ENTIRE WORLD.
HOW'D THAT BE FOR A
"GREAT DESTINY"?



Nah. I'D RATHER
SAVOR YOUR
DEFEAT.
DAD IS GOING TO
PLUCK YOU BALD
AND I'LL BE
HAILED AS THE
SAVIOR OF MOBIUS.
ALL I HAVE TO DO
IS PULL OUT THIS--



KEY?

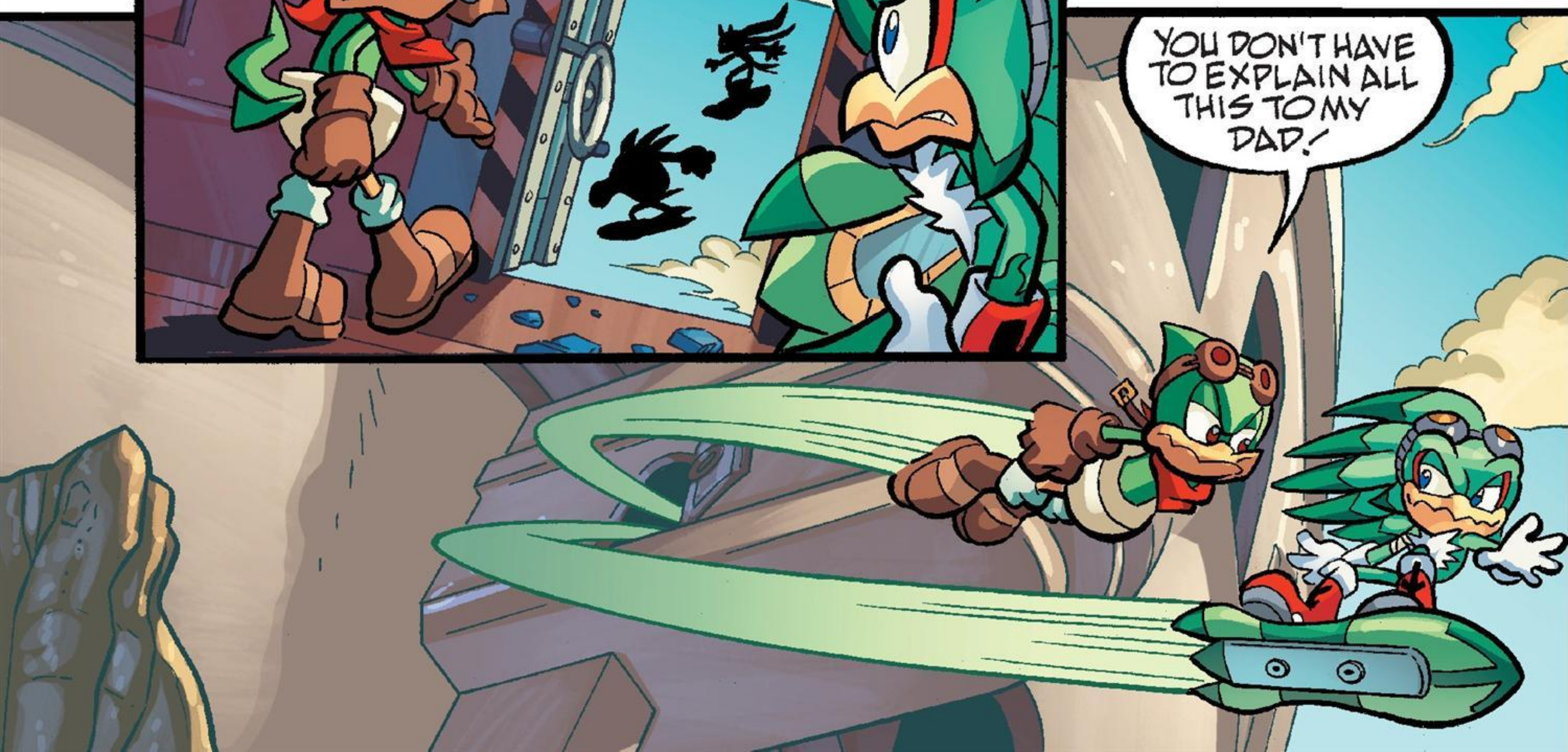
WARNING.



YOU BIRDS
ARE LUCKY I'M
THE GOOD
GUY.

WARNING.







SIR! WE'RE
TETHERED TO
THE GARDEN!
WE'RE GOING
DOWN WITH
IT!

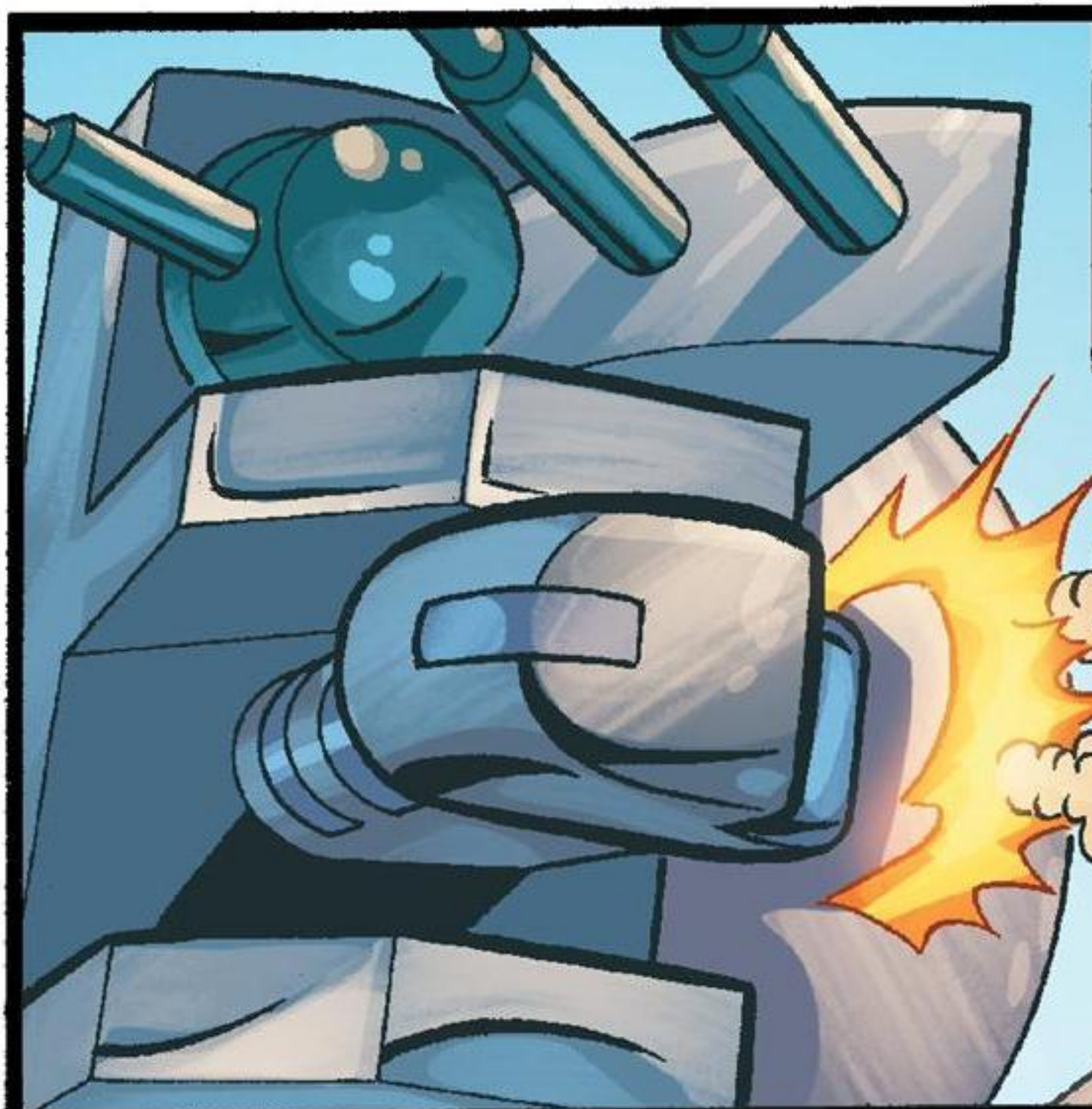
ALL HANDS...
ABANDON
SHIP!



BRIDGE
POD
EJECT



THE ROGUES
WILL PAY FOR
THIS
TREACHERY.



THEY.



WILL.



PAY.

SOON...

SONIC!
YOU'RE
ALIVE!

HEY, SONIC!
WE WERE WORRIED
ABOUT YOU!

DON'T WORRY
ABOUT ME.
HOW'S EVERY-
THING
HERE?

NO CASUALTIES.
BUT NAUGHS POPPED
OUT OF A SHADOW A
FEW MINUTES AGO,
AND HE'S BEEN
ACTING KINDA
WEIRD.

...SHUT UP!
SHUT UP!

Peh! SO
WHAT
ELSE IS
NEW?

I DIRECTED THE
NANITES FROM MY
SUIT TO START THE
RECONSTRUCTION OF
THE CITY. BUT WITH-
OUT NICOLE, IT WILL
BE AN ARDUOUS
PROCESS.

WHERE
IS
NICOLE?

SHE UPLOADED
HERSELF TO
FREEDOM HQ.*

SHE MAY BE
STUCK THERE
FOR AWHILE.

*LAST ISSUE.

C'MON,
LITTLE
BRO!

NOW THAT I KNOW
EVERYONE'S SAFE,
WE BOTH HAVE A
SCORE TO SETTLE...

"...WITH SOME
ALIEN LOSERS."

GEEZ. DO YOU
THINK THEY'RE
ALL OKAY?!

I DOUBT A
LITTLE THING
LIKE CRASHING
INTO A
MOUNTAIN
WILL STOP
THE BATTLE
LORD.

SO WE'RE
DESCENDED
FROM
ALIENS?

THAT'S HEAVY.

YEAH. IT
REALLY
CHANGES
THINGS.

'LUZ NOW
I GOTTA PROVE
I'M THE FASTEST
THING IN THE
UNIVERSE!

LOOKS LIKE JET'S DESTINY DIDN'T
TURN OUT LIKE HE PLANNED. OR
MAYBE HE JUST HASN'T FOUND IT YET.
AND WHAT WILL BECOME OF THE BATTLE BIRD ARMADA? IT'S HARD
TO KEEP A GOOD VILLAIN DOWN. COME BACK NEXT MONTH TO FIND OUT
WHAT THE BIGGEST BADDIE IN THE **SONIC UNIVERSE** IS UP TO, AS DR. EGGMAN WHIPS
UP TROUBLE IN "**SCRAMBLED**!" AND CHECK OUT **SONIC the HEDGEHOG #233** TO
SEE HOW OUR HEROES DEAL WITH THE AFTERMATH OF BABYLON'S RISING!

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EGGMAN ARC
BEGINS NEXT MONTH IN...

SCRAMBLED

PART I (of 4)

EGGMAN UNLEASHES THE
GRAND MASTERS OF THE DARK
EGG LEGION! SNIVELY BETTER
START RUNNING NOW!

ON SALE THE WEEK OF 2/21/12!

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG: 233



WANT
ANSWERS?

YOU GOT 'EM!

THE TRIAL OF THE CENTURY
BEGINS, AND THE SLY
SKUNK TELLS ALL IN...

"TRIAL OF THE TRAITOR"

ON SALE THE WEEK OF 02/07/12

Dear 'My Sonic
Universe,'

Hi, this is my first time
writing to you guys
and I have only read
#225 and #226 in
Sonic the Hedgehog
and Sonic Archives 1,
2, 8, half of 9 and I'm
working on the 3rd in
SU.

**Wow! That's a lot of
Sonic!**

I have a few questions,
one about Genesis.

**Genesis? What's
that? :)**

1. What happened with
Sonic in Genesis did
they get sent to the
Sonic games reality?

**Kind of, but not
exactly. Eggman
reset the world in
hopes to change the
"chaos factor" that
Sonic represents.
If Eggman couldn't
defeat Sonic in
this reality, well
he simply tried to
make his own! The
world Eggman made
with the "Cosmic
reset button"
closely resembles
the Genesis Sonic
games.**

Well that's all for now,
ciao!
Sonic's #1 fan,

Dylan G.
from Georgia

"Chao", Dylan!

Dear 'My Sonic
Universe,'

I'm enjoying the
"Babylon Rising" arc

so far, but I'm having a
bit of a conflict here.

**Just like the Battle
Bird Armada, Jet and
Sonic!**

I find myself enjoying
the antagonists
far more than
the protagonists.
Unfortunately it seems
that the Battle Bird
Armada seem to be
much more interesting
and likeable than the
Babylon Rogues.

**The hover boards,
Duke, the hover
boards!**

I've heard the same
complaint by some
of the fan base, and I
have to agree with that
diagnosis. The Rogues
are a pretty difficult
bunch to like, and after
the Tails Adventure
arc, the Battle Birds
have become fan
favorites.

**The Battle Bird
Armada is certainly
an interesting group.
It's not every day you
see a giant flying
fortress as epic as
theirs! But I'm sure
you'll see the Rogues
in a different light
after this issue! Jet
has got a lot to think
about, and where the
Rogues go from here
is anyone's guess!**

Otherwise, I'm really
really loving this arc
and can't wait to
see what happens
next! Babylon
Garden is under
New Mobotropolis?

Who would have
guessed?

A.D.A.M., perhaps?
Keep on Juicin'!

Stephen C.
sent to sonic@
archiecomics.com

Thanks Stephen!

Dear 'My Sonic
Universe,'

What is the orange
gem that looks
suspiciously like a
Sol emerald that
Silver uses?

**Silver uses a Time
Stone to travel
back in time in
SU#25-28'S "The
Silver Saga",
which does indeed
vaguely resemble a
Sol Emerald!**

Please put this into
the comic because
I have tried several
times and it never
got in.

Matt R.
from Tennessee

**You got it! Thanks
Matt!**

**Hope you all
enjoyed "Babylon
Rising". Coming up
next is Eggman's
egg-squisite story
arc, "Scrambled".
Until then, be sure
to check out the all
new Sonic Super
Special Magazine!**

**See y'all next
month! Same
Sonic time, same
Sonic comic book!**

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in the dust! Remember, include "My Sonic Universe" in the subject line on your
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